

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF MISSOURI
WESTERN DIVISION**

DEBORAH J. KNIFONG,)
Plaintiff,)
v.) No. 00-0370-CV-W-FJG-SSA
KENNETH S. APFEL,)
Commissioner, Social Security)
Administration)
Defendant.)

ORDER

Currently pending before the Court is defendant's Motion for Final Judgment (Doc. # 12). The Court remanded this case on May 14, 2001, pursuant to 42 U.S.C. § 405(g), sentence 6, for further evaluation by an Administrative Law Judge. On remand, the ALJ entered a favorable decision on December 28, 2004. Defendant now requests that the Court enter a final judgment formally dismissing this action. Accordingly, as there is no longer a case or issue properly before the Court, the Court hereby **GRANTS** defendant's Motion for Final Judgment (Doc. # 12) and hereby **DISMISSES** this action.

Also pending before the Court is plaintiff's Application for Attorneys' Fees (Doc. # 13). Plaintiff has requested reimbursement in the amount of \$1,907.83 for attorney fees and expenses. Defendant states that once the Court has entered a Final Judgment in this case, defendant does not contest the payment of attorney fees in this amount.

Accordingly, it is hereby **ORDERED** that plaintiff's application for attorney fees is **GRANTED** and counsel shall be awarded payment of \$1,907.83 in attorney fees.

Date: April 24, 2006
Kansas City, Missouri

/S/ FERNANDO J. GAITAN JR.
Fernando J. Gaitan Jr.
United States District Judge